A.H.S. Newscast

By Peggy Wooten

Hello there!

Although the weather has been quite irritable lately, there seems to be an exciting trend among the students. This trend can be accounted for in many ways.

First of all, everyone is talking about the First Annual "Sweetheart's Dance." This semi-formal dance is being sponsored by the Sr. Hi-Y and Tri-Hi-Y Clubs. It is to be held February 18, with music furnished by the "Southerners." Each class has elected a girl to be their candidate for the "Sweetheart of A. H. S." contest. The chosen candidates are Anne Evans from the Senior Class; Rita St. John from the Junior Class; Ruth Austin from the Sophomore Class; Frances Sanders from the Freshman Class, and Anne Martin from the Preparatory Class. Be sure to buy your ticket, so you will be able to cast your votes for your favorite sweetheart.

The Student Council held a meeting Tuesday to decide who would go to the forum opened to high school students February 11. Ten students from A. H. S. will attend this forum. Twenty-seven foreign students will take part in this forum.

Candidates for nomination for S. C. A. officers of next year have been announced by the Student Council. They are as follows:

President: Gene Carson, Jack Caldwell.

Vice President: Moses Dinkins and John Evans.

Secretary: Janice McClenny and Dorothy Painter.

Treasurer: Anne Abbitt and Barbara Almond.

Reporter: Laura Carson and Jo-ella Ferguson.

These candidates will give their campaign speeches on February 23, and the election will take place February 24.

The newly organized Monogram Club held its first meeting in January. The officers were elected: President, Tommy O'Brien; Vice President, Sandra O'Brien; Secretary, Anne Abbitt; Treasurer, Garland Doss; Reporter, Sam Kerr. This club has set up a membership requirement list for people interested in the club.

The D. E. Club is making plans for the D. E. district meeting which is to be held on February 15, at E. C. Glass High School. At this meeting Jimmy Harper is entering the Merchandise Presentation Contest; Joan Weeks the Merchandise Handbook Contest; Hilda Woody the Window Display Contest; Thomas Bohanan , Miniature Display; Pete Guill, The Sales Demonstration Contest, and Joan Weeks the Job Interview Contest. The D. E. Club, as a whole, is entering the D. E. Scrapbook Contest, competing with other clubs in the district. Besides this, the D. E. Club has ordered the D. E. pins and elected a candidate, Joan Weeks, to go to the D. E. State Convention at Richmond on March 4, 1956. A most attractive display on spices has been made in our school library by Hilda Woody, who has taken this as her personal project. If you have not seen this display, it would be worth your valuable time to drop by to see it.

The Junior Class, under the direction of Miss Harriet Holley and Mrs. Wiley Morris, will provide the special music for the World Day of Prayer program to be held February 14.

Well, this is all the A. H. S. news for this week. See you again next week.

Peggy.

Richwood

Richwood, Feb. 7.- "Sucess is like the turtle; it moves ahead only by sticking its neck out." -Quoted.

Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Ferguson and daughter, Judy, of Lynchburg, and Mr. and Mrs. Tucker Ferguson visited Saturday evening with Mr. and Mrs. T. T. Wooldridge and Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Brannan and family.

David Martin, U. S. Navy, is spending a few days with his family here.

Mr. and Mrs. G. I. Watt, ofWashington, spent a few days at their home here.

Travis Wooldridge was the guest Sunday morning of Miss Estella Wooldridge and family.

U. S. Atom bomber fleet is prepared to arm quickly.

A record $349,824,701 asked for New York city schools.

Pamplin

Pamplin, Feb. 7.- Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Jamerson and daughter were week-end visitors to relatives here.

Tommy Ligon and R. S. (Dick) Baldwin, of V. P. I., were home for the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Wayne, of Phenix were week-end visitors in the home of their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Davis.

Mr. Frank Irving, of Richmond, visited in the home of the Rev. and Mrs. W. M. Black last week.

Miss Inez Garrison, of Lynchburg spent the week-end in the home of her mother, Mrs. Robt. Garrison.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Yeatts and children, of Farmville were week-end guests in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Davis.

Miss Mary Rives Black, of Richmond spent the week-end at her home here.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Covington and daughter, Estelle were Sunday visitors in the home of Mrs. C. C. Rosser.

Mrs. W. A. Oates, of St. Petersburg, Fla., is visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Ligon.

Spout Spring

Spout Spring, Feb. 7.- Mr. and Mrs. Elliott Carson and daughter, Jean spent Sunday in the home of her parents.

Mrs. W. J. Walton and daughter, Louise, of Lynchburg, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Carson Sunday.

Miss Shirley Walton, a student at Madison College, spent several days at her home last week.

Mrs. George Carson, who has been on the sick list for several days, is out again.

Frank Torrence, small son of Mr. and Mrs. Allen Torrence, is a patient at Virginia Baptist Hospital.

Mrs. H. B. Martin entertained with a tea at her home Saturday afternoon to honor Mrs. Walker Walton, who recently moved to this community.

Spout Spring, Feb. 6.- Mr. R. E. Cheatham and Mr. W. E. Martin spent Sunday afternoon in the home of Mr. Ernest F. Smith and Mrs. Georgia Schindler, of Spout Spring.

Dial 2811 with Personals.

Clover Hill

Clover Hill, Feb. 7.- Mr. T. H. Trent is recovering from the effects of a bad fall on the ice last Saturday morning. Eight stitches were required to close a deep cut over one eye.

Mrs. T. H. Trent, who has been sick for some time, was carried to Virginia Baptist Hospital, Sunday afternoon, where she will undergo treatment.

Joel Trent, U. S. N., Jacksonville, Florida, arrived Sunday to be with his mother.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Vaugan, of Farmville and Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Vaughan and son, Joe, of Spout Spring, were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Lewis.

The Clover Hill Home Demonstration Club will meet at 7:30 P. M., Tuesday, February 14, with Mrs. W. H. Conner. Mrs. R. C. Conner will serve as co-hostess. Mrs. Elliott Torrence will assist with the demonstration.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Overstreet and children, Judy, Bob and Janet, of Vinton were Sunday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Conner.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Conner, of Halifax spent Sunday with Mrs. Conner's mother, Mrs. W. P. Gills. Other visitors in the Gills home on Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Allen O'Brien and Mrs. Mildred Alvis.

We welcome to our community, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Bumgardner, who moved into their new home last week.

Mr. Gene Torrence is reported much improved and it is hoped that he may be released from the hospital this week. Mrs. Torrence, who was also quite sick last week, is better.

Lt. and Mrs. W. N. Smith, of Lynchburg, were dinner guests Saturday of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Johnson.

Mrs. Milton Martin and daughter, Kitty Lee, of Route 3, Lynchburg, spent Tuesday in this same home.

Oakville

Oakville, Feb. 6.- The Oakville Home Demonstration Club held its regular monthly meeting Thursday, February 2, with Mrs. E. J. Hillman. There were fourteen members present. Mrs. C. D. Lewis had charge of the devotional. After a short business meeting, the demonstration on "Uses of Cereals in Cooking" was given by Mrs. Pauline DePew and Mrs. Everette Phelps.

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Local School Is Victim of $569 Burglary

Wm. W. Burke Named Bank President

NAMED PRESIDENT OF BANK

. . . . William W. Burke

Officers of The Bank of Appomattox, Appomattox, Virginia, in their Annual Report to the recent stockholders' meeting, indicated deposits at a peak; satisfactory earnings, which permitted dividends throughout the year of $6.00 per share, an annual rate of 12%, while loans were substantially reduced, indicative of both a desire and ability on the part of borrowers to get out of debt.

All incumbent Directors were re-elected for the ensuing year, as follows: G. B. Buchanan, J. A. Burke, R. L. Burke, Wm. W. Burke, J. C. Davidson, C. K. Hunter, C. Lewis McDearmon, Dr. Clyde G. O'Brien, H. C. Pulliam, C. W. Smith, Harold Y. Spencer and R. F. B. Steele.

At the organizational meeting of the Board of Directors, Mr. C. W. Smith was elected as Chairman of the Board. Mr. R. L. Burke, one of the original organizers of the Bank, and an active officer since 1908, retired as President and was succeeded by Wm. W. Burke, formerly Executive Vice President.

Other officers re-elected were: J. C. Davidson, Cashier; B. C. Harvey, Assistant Cashier, and Mrs. Mary Alma Hudson, Auditor.

A daring burglary was committed here Monday night, when the Carver-Price High School was entered and $569.70 was taken from a wall vault in the principal's office. On the same night, a similar job was done at the Rustburg High School, where some $400 was taken.

The building here was entered by breaking a window in the second grade room. The janitor went off duty at 11:30 P. M. The door of the principal's office was forced, and, using a crowbar, the masonry wall was punched out to enable a rear-approach to the wall vault. Apparently taking their time, and interested only in money, the vault was emptied of $569.70, in the following funds:

Junior class ring money	100.00
March of Dimes cash	20.00
Cash drawer	60.00
Cafeteria money	70.00
Senior class ring money	150.00
Drink box receipts	50.00
Basketball game receipts	19.70
Student typing fees	60.00
Various class funds	40.00

The March of Dimes was just that— dimes. They were in cardboard collectors, and the robbers took their time to neatly remove the dimes, and stack the empty containers neatly on the floor. Likewise the envelopes in which the other funds were kept, were left, as well as a money bag.

Police officers are investigating the robbery, but to date have unearthed little in the way of a lead.

Father Darkleaf

By c. h. r.

Coach Gordon Bragg has a truly remarkable record as coach of the athletic teams at the Appomattox High School. Judge Joel Flood was telling us this week about the Bragg record.

In football, the Bragg - coached teams have won 55 games, lost 20, and tied 4.

In baseball, his teams have won 9 games, and lost 12.

In basketball, his teams broke even in the won and lost column, though handicapped most of the years by lack of a gymnasium. This year the basketball team is being coached by J. L. Bird, and stands to come out of the season with a better than break-even record.

Bragg has won two district football championships, and three basketball championships.

There is a salute to the popular Ole Hornet coach. He wins games, but what is even more important, he develops character in the boys.

Herald of Spring: The interior of the local post office is being painted. Soon most of us will be looking around to get the spring cleaning under way.

Someone wrote in to Future, the U. S. Jaycee magazine, with some definitions. Here are a few.

Program: Any assignment that can be completed in one telephone call.

Coordinator: The guy who has to seek between two expeditors.

Consideration: Never heard of it.

Ahead The Issue: You be the judge.

Under Active Consideration: Looking in the files for it.

Let's Get Together On This: I'm thinking you're as confused as I am.

There is no doubt but that the Ford Motor Company knows how to make good cars. We have owned one of them to vouch for that. But we don't think a thing of the attempt to write history. The April, 1956, issue of Ford Times, labeled a "Special Virginia issue," Appomattox got an awfully poor break in the issue, not only in that it was virtually ignored as being [illegible] Amherst, but the tiny paragraph given to Appomattox on Page 17, is all twisted up as to the facts.

Demonstration Club Schedule

The schedule of meeting of county home demonstration clubs next week:

Tuesday, Feb. 21.- Appomattox Home Demonstration Club will meet at 10:00 A. M. in the Sunday School room of the Presbyterian Church, with Mrs. R. W. Stanley, hostess. Mrs. Stanley and Mrs. D. E. Caldwell, Jr. will give the demonstration on Cereals and Shortcuts in Cooking to Save Time and Energy.

Wednesday, Feb. 22.- The Spout Spring Home Demonstration Club will meet at 2:30 P. M. with Mrs. [illegible] Reynolds. Mrs. Georgia Calder and Miss Virginia Shirey will give the demonstration.

Thursday, Feb. 23.- The Oakgrove Club Demonstration will meet at 7:30 P. M. with Mrs. F. B. Jefferson. Mrs. L. P. Petty and Mrs. C. [illegible] Nash will give the demonstration.

Friday, Feb. 24.- Trinity Home Demonstration Club will meet at 2:30 P. M. with Mrs. Irene Moore. Mrs. S. G. Martin and Mrs. B. G. [illegible]erson will give the demonstration. Note change in day of meeting because of county meeting on regular meeting day.

Saturday, Feb. 25.- 4-H Club girls [illegible]ed In Foods will meet in the Home Demonstration Agent's office at 9:00 A. M.

RE-SCHOOL CLINICS TO START SHORTLY

H. E. Jenkins, Health Director, Appomattox County, announces that examinations of all children entering school for the first time in September, will be held very shortly. It is necessary that the child's name, birthdate, and address, with parents names, be obtained as soon as possible, so that arrangements can be made for these examinations. It is requested that all parents having children to enter school for the first time in September send this information as soon as possible to the school which the child will attend.

Funeral Held Here Monday For Mrs. Samuel L. Ferguson

. . . . Mrs. Samuel L. Ferguson

Mrs. Adelia Mann Ferguson, 82, widow of State Senator Samuel L. Ferguson, died at 4:15 P. M. Saturday at her home, Courtland, here after an illness of several months.

Long an outstanding leader in the civic, church and social affairs of Appomattox, Mrs. Ferguson spent much of her lifetime in devotion to the advancement of her community.

She was a member of the Board of Stewards of Memorial Methodist Church, an officer of the Appomattox Chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy, and after the death of her husband served a number of years on the Board of Visitors of State Hospitals. She was greatly interested in the work of such groups as the Red Cross from the days of World War I to the present. Her many activities included the management of considerable agricultural interests, and in this she displayed rare foresight in the advancement of general farming methods.

Born in Appomattox County on July 31, 1873, she was the daughter of the late Charles R. and Martha Jeanette Pennick Mann. She was married to the late State Senator Samuel Lewis Ferguson in 1896. He died in 1934, at the height of a distinguished career in Virginia public affairs.

Mrs. Ferguson is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Russell F. Wagers, Richmond; and Mrs. Rachel F. Lawson, Appomattox; two sons, Samuel L. Ferguson Jr. and Joseph D. Ferguson, both of Appomattox; one sister, Mrs. T. W. Moses, Appomattox; the following grandchildren: Mrs. Peter Mark Jr., New York City; Mrs. Norris E. Dibble, Springfield, Mass.; Mrs. Gilbert H. Wilson, Richmond; J. R. Lawson, Jr., Lynchburg; S. R. Lawson, Richmond; Fred H. Lawson, Appomattox; Harry Gordon Lawson, University of Virginia; Samuel L. Ferguson, III, Appomattox; Morton L. Ferguson, Appomattox; and J. D. Ferguson, Iceland. She is also survived by ten great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at 2:30 P. M. Monday from the Memorial Methodist Church, conducted by the pastor, the Rev. Lee H. Richcreek, assisted by the Rev. L. F. Callaham and the Rev. R. C. Maxwell, former pastors. Interment was in Liberty Cemetery. Active pallbearers were Norris Dibble, Gilbert Wilson, Jack Lawson, Fred Lawson, Harry Gordon Lawson, Robert Lawson, Morton Ferguson and Sam Ferguson III.

Funeral For J. F. Covington

Mr. Joseph Fenton Covington, 80, died unexpectedly February 13, at the home of his niece, Miss Mary Covington, Route 2, Appomattox.

Born in Appomattox County Oct. 6, 1875, he was the son of the late Martin Luther and Lucy Davidson Covington. He was never married Mr. Covington had been a successful farmer all his life.

In addition to Miss Covington, he is survived by several nieces and nephews.

He was a member of Hollywood Baptist Church, where funeral services were held Tuesday at 3:00 P. M., conducted by Dr. Carl A. Collins, Jr. Burial was in the church cemetery. Active pallbearers were: Whit Woodall, Walker Woodall, Jim Woodall, Frank Woodall, Thomas Woodall, Ray Covington and Walter Wingfield.

P.-T. A. to Meet Here Tonight

The Appomattox Elementary P.-T. A. will meet in the Elementary School auditorium tonight at 8:00 o'clock. A Founders Day program will be presented by the parents. All parents are urged to be present.

NEW BOOK IN THE COUNTY LIBRARY

Tender Victory, by Taylor Caldwell is the story of a courageous man and the impact of his triumphant faith upon a dying town. It is a gray day when young Johnny Fletcher arrives in Barryfield to take up his new ministry after the war. The mining and industrial community is covered with a heavy pall of smok and smog which seems to indicate its defeated spirit. Its people do not take kindly to this good - humored and resourceful man of God, whose Christianity infuses every act and word. But his uncompromising faith which distrubs their complacency is not the only unsettling thing about Johnny; there is also his family, a group of five orphaned refugee children whom he adopted while an Army chaplain in Europe in the hope of winning them back to a meaningful life by understanding and love. Taylor Caldwell has created a vital and inspiring picture of courageous faith at work in The Tender Victory.

Miss Catlett Invited to To Join Sigma Tau Chi

Miss Jo Anne Catlett, a senior at Mary Washington College of the University of Virginia, has been invited to become a member of Sigma Tau Chi, the national honorary Home Economics Fraternity. Miss Catlett is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Catlett of this place. She is majoring in Economics and Business Administration.

Four Players Get Trophies At Banquet

Four members of last season's A. H. S. football team were presented trophies at the annual football banquet of the Appomattox Lions Club last Thursday evening. They were: Tommy O'Brien, as best lineman; Alton Smith, best backfield player; Don Coleman, best blocker, and John Paulette, for best sportsmanship. The trophies were presented by Coach Gordon Bragg, for the donors, the A. H. S. Athletic Association, the Lions Club, and The Times-Virginian.

The address of the evening was made by Gus Tebell, a former All-American and now Athletic Director at the University of Virginia. He was introduced by Joel W. Flood. Mr. Tebell has followed the coaching profession for 33 years. He has been at Virginia for 26 years, and during that time has directed each of the major sports at various times. He is also a former mayor of Charlottesville. In his address, he called attention to the requirements in scholarship for those entering the University.

Schools Close Wednesday

Appomattox County public schools will be closed next Wednesday, Feb. 22, in observance of Washington's Birthday.

March of Dimes Had Increase Over Last Year

A total of $2,772.54 has been reported for Appomattox County in the March of Dimes campaign. This is a nice increase over the $2,591.90 reported last year, and the increase may become larger when final reports are turned in from one committee.

Breakdown of the contributions show the following results:

Special gifts, Joel W. Flood, chairman	724.00
Churches, C. W. Smith, chairman	490.94
Schools, Dr. Aubrey Keesee, chairman	488.93
Mrs. Mozella J. Price, chairman, colored schools and churches	120.00
Mothers March	399.48
Mrs. Thos. Richardson, chm.	
Mrs. Crawford Davidson, co-chairman	
Coin Collectors, H. W. Conner, chairman	442.78
Special events:	
Pamplin card party	92.45
Appomattox Troop No. 46, Boy Scouts	5.00
Appomattox Troop No. 41, Girl Scouts	1.50
Bunny Hop Dance	7.46

T. DeWitt Evans is chairman of the Appomattox County Chapter, National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis. Mrs. J. W. Flood is secretary and treasurer. Assisting in this year's March of Dimes was the Junior Chamber of Commerce and the Junior Woman's Club.

Blue Hornets Win Over Nelson School

After losing three straight games Appomattox squeezed by the Nelson County High School in a basketball game here, by a score of 38-36. Appomattox never led until the last 2 minutes of the game, when Raymond Ferguson hit on 2 quick jump shots to put the Blue Hornets ahead.

Raymond Ferguson hit the basket for 20 points for high scoring honors for the night.

Appomattox started the game with three freshmen and two juniors in the line-up.

Coach J. L. Bird pointed out that team hustle and good handling of the ball were the factors contributing to the victory.

Freddie Mitchell, Raymond Massie, Sonny Connor, and C. D. O'Brien have been called up from the freshmen and J. V.'s to try to bolster the Hornets chances in the district tournament. Joey George showed up well playing the pivot spot Friday night.

Nelson County H. S. girls won 28 to 21 over A. H. S. girls.

Playing Tuesday night, Brookville High School, paced by guard Ronnie Wright, won over Appomattox 58 to 48. Bradley Babcock hit for 20 points to take high scoring honors for Appomattox. A freshman, Leon Edmunds, showed up well by dropping in 8 points.

Appomattox girls took a close game from the Brookville girls, 38 to 35. Evelyn Ferguson hit the basket for 15 points for the Appomattox team.

Receive Awards For Savings Bond Sales

J. C. Davidon, cashier of the Bank of Appomattox, and T. DeWitt Evans, cashier of the Farmers National Bank were given U. S. Treasury Awards here last week in recognition of outstanding service to country and community for the sale of U. S. Savings Bonds in excess of their assigned goals.

The awards are over the signature of Secretary of the Treasury Geo. M. Humphrey and State Chairman of Volunteers C. Francis Cocke, President of the National Exchange Bank of Roanoke and past President of the American Bankers Association. Presentation was made by Treasury representative Thomas L. Chrisman, of Richmond.

(Photo by Beamer)

STONEWALL HOME DEMONSTRATION CLUB

The Stonewall Home Demonstration Club held its regular monthly meeting at the Community Center, with a large attendance. The club now has thirty members and is proud of its growth. The use of the Center is a big aid, providing ample quarters. The meeting this month was on The Use of Cereals in Cooking. The demonstration was given by the Food Leaders, Mrs. Ruby Carson and Miss Edna Babcock. The hostesses for the month were Mrs. William Coleman and Mrs. James McHenry.

Minstrel at Oakville School

The Oakville P.-T. A. will present a minstrel at the Oakville school for two nights, February 24 and 25. The performance will be known as "Oakville Minstrels." Admission will be fifty cents for adults and twenty-five cents for children.